

Appln. No.: 10/644,872
Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

REMARKS

Claims 20-26 have been canceled.

Upon entry of the Amendment, claims 1-19 and 27-33 are pending in the application.

Claims 20-26 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Applicants have canceled claims 20-26 and thus the § 112 rejection is moot.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-19 and 27-33 are allowed. In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.


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